

Remarks

Claims 1-15, 31, and 32 were previously pending in the application. After entry of the response Claims 1-15, 31 and 32 will remain pending. Reconsideration is respectfully requested based on the following remarks.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-3, 5, 7, 9, 31, and 32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kurauchi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,323,921), herein referred to as "Kurauchi", in view of Sawasaki et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,836,308), herein referred to as "Sawasaki, and further in view of Nakajima et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,317,187), herein referred to as "Nakajima".

Claims 4, 6, 8, and 10-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kurauchi, Sawasaki, and Nakajima, as applied to Claims 3, 5, 7 and further in view of Yamada (U.S. Patent No. 6,140,988).

Of the above-referenced claims, Claim 1 is independent. Accordingly, once allowability of this claim is established, all claims depending therefrom are likewise allowable.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite at least in part the subject matter of Claim 6. More specifically, Claim 1 has been amended to recite, "a light visual angle pattern disposed between the second transparent substrate and the common electrode and formed at a position corresponding to the pixel area so as to widen a visual angle of an image displayed by the liquid crystal display apparatus, the light visual angle pattern including a same material as the light blocking pattern".

The present invention relates to a liquid crystal display apparatus capable of reducing manufacturing cost thereof and improve display quality. In this regard, Applicants disclose, "Referring to FIG. 8, a second substrate 200 includes a light blocking pattern 230 and a light visual angle pattern 232 formed on a second transparent substrate 210. The light blocking pattern 230 and light visual angle pattern 232 are disposed between the second transparent substrate 210 and a common electrode 220" (see also Figure 6 [¶0094]). "In this exemplary embodiment, the light blocking layer is patterned to substantially and simultaneously form the light blocking pattern 220 and light visual angle pattern 232. Thus, the LCD apparatus 400 also may be manufactured through simplified and reduced process" [¶0099].

In rejected Applicants' Claim 6, the Examiner stated that "Kuauchi further discloses wherein the LCD has a liquid crystal layer and light visual pattern on the common electrode. Preliminarily, Applicants note that Claim 6 actually recited that the light visual angle pattern is disposed ~~between~~ the second transparent substrate and common electrode, not "on" the common electrode as indicated by the Examiner.

In rejecting Claim 6 the Examiner failed to specifically identify via reference number and/or figure(s) the "light visual angle pattern" and "common electrode" of Kuauchi. Applicants' examination of the Kuauchi reference failed to disclose even a second substrate let alone a "light visual angle pattern" and a "common electrode". As such, Applicants respectfully request clarification of the rejection of the aforementioned elements now included in Claim 1.

The further references of Sawasaki, Nakajima, and Yamada fail to remedy the deficiencies of Kuauchi. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that Kuauchi, Sawasaki, Nakajima, and Yamada alone or in combination fail to disclose, teach, or

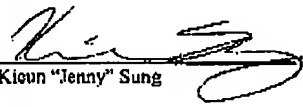
otherwise make obvious a light visual angle pattern disposed between the second transparent substrate and the common electrode and formed at a position corresponding to the pixel area, as recited in Applicants' Claim 1.

For at least this reason, Applicants respectfully submit independent Claim 1, and all claims depending therefrom are patentable.

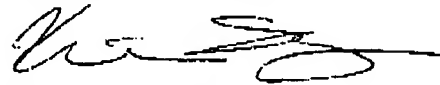
Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Conclusion

In view of the remarks set forth above, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, a telephone call to the undersigned at 408-331-1672 is welcomed and encouraged.

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